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MIAMI BEACH MAYOR DAVID DERMER'S BLUE RIBBON CANDO COMMITTEE HOLDS SUCCESSFUL FIRST MEETING

(Miami Beach, FL) - September 14, 2006 - It was an energized and eclectic group that gathered this week at the Miami Beach Regional Library auditorium to set the path toward the creation and designation of a Cultural Arts Neighborhood District Overlay (CANDO). The proposed district, bounded by 24th Street to the north, Lincoln Road to the south, Meridian Avenue to the west and the ocean to the east, encompasses many of the city's art and culture venues.

Introduced at his 2006 State of the City Address, Mayor David Dermer told the committee that its "mission is to guide the designation of the district; brand, market and promote the district; and to work with the appropriate city departments, property owners and developers to create opportunities to attract arts-related residential, retail and living/work spaces.

"With this committee's leadership, CANDO can be the catalyst to help spur a wonderful and successful neighborhood for arts-related mixed-use and community gathering," said Dermer.

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